# **67605**Polymict Breccia 44.5 grams



Figure 1 a: Photo of 67605 showing white clast. S72-41583. Cube is 1 cm.



Figure 1 c: White clast again. S72-41580



Figure 1 b: Figure showing zap pits. S72-41581



Figure 1 d: Rounding caused by micrometeorite bombardment. S72-41582

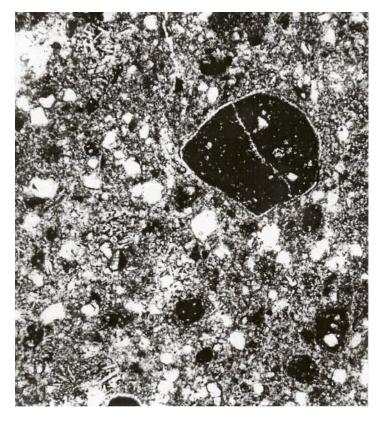


Figure 2: Photomicrograph of thin section 67605,6 with plane polarized light. Width of field is 2 mm. From Ryder and Norman 1980.

### **Introduction**

67605 is a relatively large friable, white particle picked out of the soil sample from the rim of North Ray Crater – see section on 67601. It is similar to the White Boulder samples (67455 etc) – but it is about the size, shape and color of a golf ball.

### **Petrography**

Ryder and Norman (1980) have provided the only description: "67605 is a fragmental breccia with many plagioclase and plagioclase-rich breccia clasts, as well as opaque aphanitic impact melt debris which gives some area of the thin section a dark aspect" (figure 2). The also describe a small clast of mare basalt in this rock! Mineral chemistry is not available.

## **Chemistry**

Warren and Wasson (1978) provided the Curator with two analyses (table, figure 3). The sample has trace Ni, Ir and Au.

# **Processing**

There are 3 thin sections.

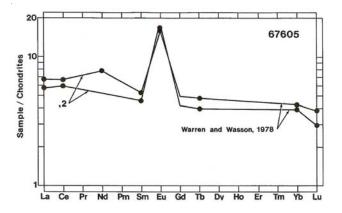
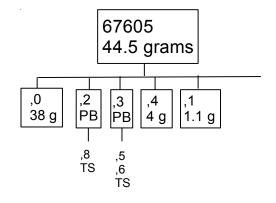
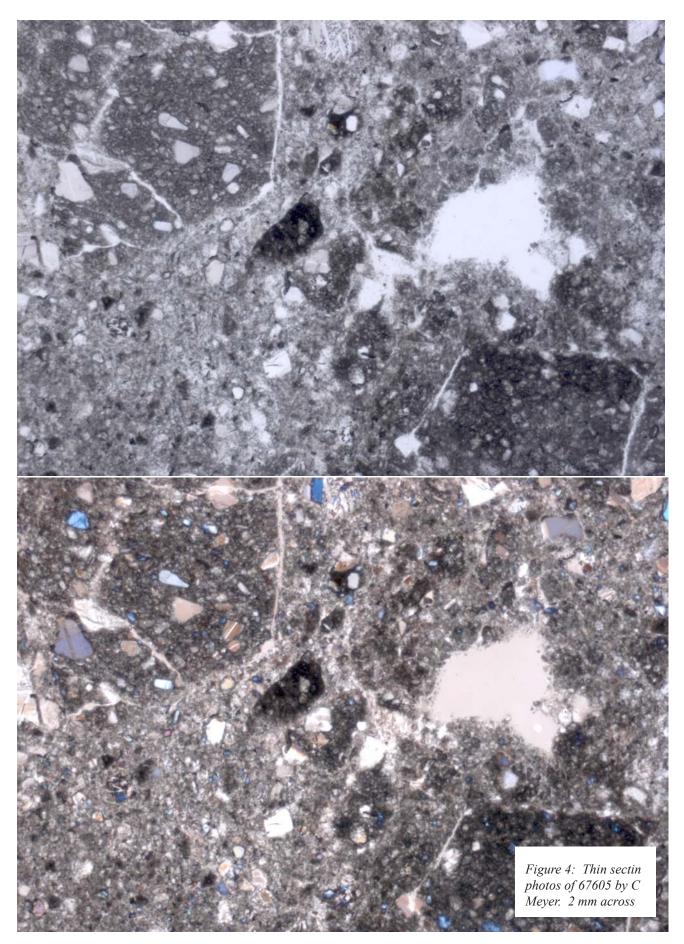


Figure 3: Normalized rare-earth-element diagram for 67605 (from Ryder and Norman).





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Table 1. Chemical composition of 67605

reference	Warren78		
weight SiO2 % TiO2 Al2O3 FeO MnO MgO CaO Na2O K2O P2O5 S % sum	45.8 0.18 30 2.58 0.036 3.96 16.8 0.48 0.051	44.9 0.18 29.9 2.57 0.038 3.91 16.9 0.5 0.055	(a) (a) (a) (a) (a) (a) (a) (a)
Sc ppm V	5.2	4.4	(a)
Cr Co Ni Cu Zn	378 7.1 80	386 7.7 110	(a) (a) (a)
Ga Ge ppb As Se Rb Sr Y Zr Nb Mo Ru Rh Pd ppb Ag ppb Cd ppb In ppb Sn ppb Sb ppb Te ppb Cs ppm			(a)
Ba La Ce	1.9 5.3	46 2.2 5.8	(a) (a) (a)
Pr Nd Sm Eu Gd	0.82 1.18	4.6 0.94 1.12	(a) (a) (a)
Tb Dy Ho Er Tm	0.19	0.22	(a)
Yb Lu Hf Ta W ppb Re ppb Os ppb	0.78 0.1 0.59 0.09	0.84 0.13 0.73 0.098	(a) (a) (a) (a)
Ir ppb Pt ppb	3.4	3.8	(a)
Au ppb Th ppm U ppm technique	0.31 0.15 (a) INAA	0.6 0.4 0.14	(a) (a) (a)

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